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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
THROUGH: Deputy Director for Intelligence
SUBJECT: Establishment of a Guided Missile Intelligence Committee (GMIC)

1. Forwarded herewith (Attachment B) for consideration are the necessary papers for initiation of action with IAC regarding establishment of a Guided Missile Intelligence Committee, and for the briefing of the Director of Central Intelligence on this subject. The target date for IAC action was initially planned for the 31 May meeting as reflected in Attachment B. Inter-Agency coordination was slower than anticipated, however, and this date should be changed to 7 June.

2. Per your request, the General Counsel, CIA, was questioned as to whether the directive should be issued as an NSCID or a DCID. On 24 May 1955 he advised that he saw no objection to processing the directive as a DCID.

3. During the inter-Agency coordination, paragraph 2. f. of proposed DCID 3/6 (included with Attachment B) was objected to by the Assistant Directors of Current Intelligence and National Estimates as follows:

a. AD/CI Comment: As noted on proposed DCI briefing memo: "Reservation on 2. f. of proposed DCID 3/6 - language is not clear that old JAKIC procedure is not intended."

b. AD/ME Comment: Forwarded herewith as Attachment A. In brief, the comment proposes that the GMIC produce coordinated intelligence for use in NIE's only in the scientific and technical area. Verbal information given to [redacted]

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this point brought out that the AD/NE was of the opinion that adoption of paragraph 2. f., as now proposed, would restrict COMINT and its National Estimates Board from accepting contributions on guided missiles from any source other than COMINT, and thereby seriously interfere with the ability of COMINT to discharge its responsibilities for NIE's.

4. Discussion: It has never been intended that the Guided Missile Intelligence Committee should function in the same fashion as JNIEC, whereby production of national intelligence would be handled completely separately from other national estimates and submitted directly from the Committee to the IAC. The integration of coordinated intelligence on guided missiles, at the level of the National Estimates Board, is considered necessary if a balanced picture of enemy capabilities and intentions is to be reached. Continued endorsement, however, of the present policy of COMINT accepting contributions on guided missiles from eight different sources, viz., Army, Navy, Air Force, JIC, NMIC, NMRC, COMINT, and CMI, is considered extremely wasteful of talent and time. This situation, furthermore, forces the National Estimates Board to become the experts in the guided missile field, as this Board must choose which of the contributions it will accept and which discard. The handling of NIE's and NMIE's is fully covered in DCID 3/3, and the provisions of this directive can be made applicable to NMIC. I would like to emphasize as a final point that the reduction of production responsibilities of NMIC to the scientific and technical area only would encapsulate all other responsibilities listed.

5. I recommend that:

a. Paragraph 2. f. of proposed DCID 3/6 be amended to add the following to the end of the paragraph: "in accordance with the provisions of DCID 3/3."

b. The attached papers, as amended, be forwarded to the RCI and to the Secretary of the IAC for their information and action.

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Attachments: 2

(A and B)

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